

SENATE BILL 538

By Lundberg

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
Chapter 3, Part 3, relative to education funding for
children in state custody.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-3-363, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and adding the following language as a new subsection:

The department of education shall report the total amount of the education funding paid to each state agency responsible for the education of a child in state custody for the immediately preceding school year. The report must include information on the number of students placed in state custody during the school year and the average amount of funding provided for the education of each student placed in state custody. All information must be reported in compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g), § 10-7-504, and all other relevant privacy laws. The department shall provide the report to the chairs of the education committee of the senate and the education committee of the house of representatives by October 1 of each year.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.